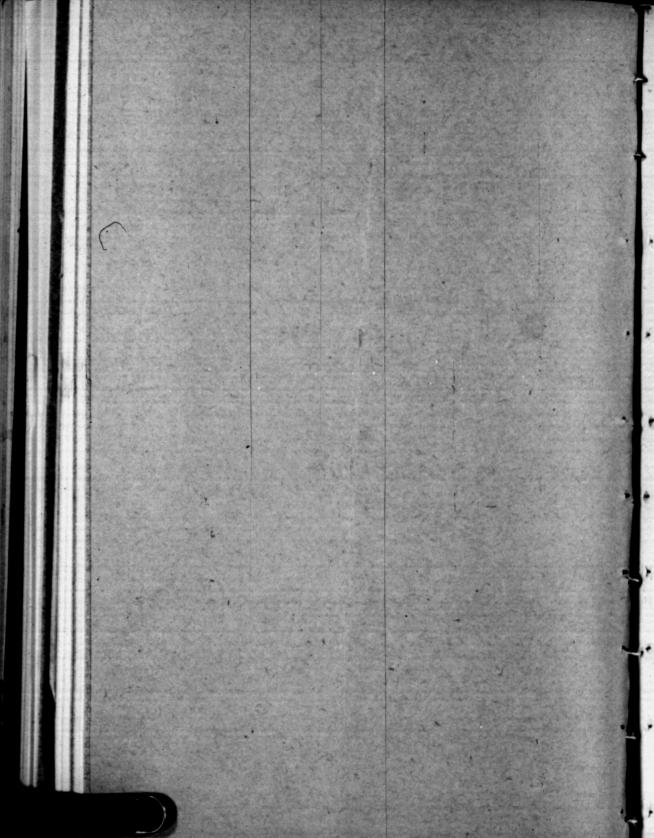


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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Sixty-Third Annual Session

—OF THE—

HARMONY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

---HELD WITH-

Tuscola Baptist Church, Leake Co., OCTOBER 25, 26, 27, 1912

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING—Thomastown church, Leake county, on Friday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1913.

T. G. WARD, Moderator. P. C. BARNETT, Clerk.

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PROCEEDINGS

FIRST DAY.

The Harmony Baptist Association met in her sixty-third annual session with Tuscola Baptist church, October 25, 1912.

By request of the moderator, Rev. W. S. Blackman read the fortieth Psalm; and Rev. S. C. Eastham led in prayer.

After singing "All Hail the Power," the body was called to business by the moderator who appointed the following committees:

Credentials—W. O. Owens, Y. A. Ward and E. S. Doug-

Finance-W. L. Pearson, Caiden Cox and Joe Tucker.

Report of Committee on Credentials.

The moderator appointed Rev. R. G. Joiner and E. D. Roberts as tellers, and the body proceeded to organize by electing Rev. T. G. Ward moderator and P. C. Barnett clerk and treasurer.

Petitionary letters were called for; and none were presented.

Call for fraternal correspondence. The following named brethren were enrolled as corresponding messengers from the various bodies they represented.

Bay Springs Association-Rev. R. G. Joiner and Rev. L.

E. Lightsey.

Hopewell Association—Rev. W. S. Blackman and Rev. W.
S. Ford.

Mt. Pisgah Association-Rev. D. B. Canon.

State Mission Board—Rev. A. V. Rowe.

Home Mission Board-Rev. W. A. McComb.

Baptist Hospital-Bryan Simmons.

Baptist Record-Rev. J. C. Parker.

Orphanage-Rev. B. E. Phillips.

Mississippi College-Rev. J. J. Gilmore.

Resolved, That any member of a church belonging to this Association be authorized to represent this Association in any body of Baptists.

The hour having arrived, the introductory sermon was preached by the appointee, Rev. A. M. Barnett, from Acts 16:9.

On motion, the body took a recess of one hour and thirty minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The body came together at 1:30 p. m., and after singing, was led in prayer by Rev. J. G. Gilmore.

On motion, the order of business was given to the moderator.

On motion, the report for missions was set for 10:30 a. m. Saturday.

The report on publications was read by J. W. W. Lyle and spoken to by Brethren J. W. W. Lyle, W. A. McComb. Bryan Simmons, J. C. Parker, R. G. Joiner and A. V. Rowe, and was adopted.

Report on Publications.

It has been said that people are known by what they read; and we know that we are influenced by what we read, at least.

Therefore, it behooves us to have only the very best of literature in our homes that it may have an elevating influence in them.

First of all, we should have the Bible and study it well, that we may know its teachings and "grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ."

And also to post ourselves that we may be able at all times to earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered to the saints.

Next in importance is to be informed as to what our denomination is doing for the advancement of the Kingdom.

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This information can be gotten from a study of our State organ—The Baptist Record—and The Home Field, and the Foreign Mission Journal. And we would recommend that our pastors strive to put these periodicals into the homes of all their members.

Respectfully submitted, J. W. W. LYLE.

On motion, the body added to its list of reports, a report on Baptist Hospital work.

Report on Temperance was read by Rev. B. E. Phillips and spoken to by Brethren A. V. Rowe, W. A. McComb, W. S. Blackman E. D. Roberts and S. C. Eastham, and adopted.

Report on Temperance.

We are approaching the close of the fourth year of the State-wide prohibition. The result has been the unquestionable reduction of the sale and consumption of intoxicants; for this we thank our Heavenly Father.

The success that prohibition is meeting with should not cause us to be contented and let it take care of itself, but ever be ready to lend a helping hand. We only need to inform ourselves as to its destructive work. Intemperance cuts down youth in its vigor, manhood in its strength, and age in its weakness. It makes wives, widows; children, orphans; fathers, fiends, and all of them paupers and beggars. It covers the land with disease, misery and crime. It fancies quarrels and cherishes riots; it hates love and scorns virtue.

Statistics show that every year alcohol is killing 3,500,000 white people—five times as many as have been killed in wars in 2,300 years. It not only kills the body, but it damns the soul.

Being aware of these things, God's children should put forth every reasonable effort to overcome its destruction. To

accomplish this, we must be very strict in church discipline along this line vote only for men to fill office who do not drink; ask our supervisors to select men for juries who do not drink; and stand right by our officials when they are looking after such business.

B. E. PHILLIPS.

On motion, the body adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m., Sat-

At 7:30 Rev. Bryan Simmons preached at the church from Luke 19:12-27.

SECOND DAY.

The body came together promptly at 9 o'clock a. m., and after singing, Rev. L. E. Lightsey read the thirty-fourth Psalm and Rev. R. G. Joiner led in prayer.

Report on Baptist Orphanage was read by P. C. Barnett, and spoken to by Brethren J. C. Parker, R. G. Joiner, A. V.

Pending the adoption of the report a cash collection of \$7.55 was taken for the Orphanage, and adopted.

Report on Baptist Orphanage.

Orphanage work, while new in Mississippi, is as old as Christianity. One characteristic conspicuous in the life of our Lord was His disposition to care for the widow and or-The Holy Spirit gave it as one of the evidences of pure and undefiled religion, that its professor visit the fatherless and the widow in their afflictions. caring for helpless orphan children need not be questioned So the duty of The only question that should concern Christian organizations is as to the methods of doing the work.

We have for our consideration at this time the home for orphan ehildren, located at Jackson, known as the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage. It was established fifteen years ago under the direction of the Baptist denomination in Mississippi. It is under the management of 21 trustees, 18 appointed by the State Convention, and three by the General Association. They employ a local superintendent who has the general supervision of the local management. It is supported entirely

by voluntary contributions from individuals, Sunday Schools and churches.

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We have at present four brick buildings, so equipped as to furnish comfortable accommodations for 225 children. We have in our orphanage at present 227. With the expenditure of \$1,500 or \$2,000 we can provide room for 60 or 70 more. Our Superintendent, Rev. J. R. Carter, informs me that he has on file fifty or more applications, many of whom are worthy. About 550 have passed through the Home since its establishment. Many of whom have gone out into life for themselves and are making good in the callings of life.

Our children there under the present management are trained to all manner of useful work. Special attention is given to all manner of cooking, housekeeping, sewing, washing, and ironing for our girls; and farming stockraising, carpenter and machine work for our boys, together with training for some boys and girls in the printing office. All have the advantage of six to eight months of schooling each year.

We commend most heartily the work that is being done for our orphan children, and urge that our Sunday Schools and churches contribute more liberally to their support. We recommend that all of our Sunday Schools take one collection each month for the orphanage, and that each church make a Thanksgiving offering at their meeting in November; remembering that Jesus said: "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these, my children, ye did it unto me."

In addition to the money contribution, the churches, Sunday Schools, ladies' societies may send clothing (good second-hand clothing accepted), towels, sheets, pillow-cases, soap, thread, buttons, tablets pencils, elastic, shoe-strings, shoes and stockings for larger children, as we have plenty for the smaller ones. In fact, anything that can be used in the everyday family. Let the farmers send corn, molasses, cured meats, and canned goods of all kinds.

P. C. BARNETT.

The report on Baptist Hospital work not being ready, the subject was spoken to by Rev. Bryan Simmons. A cash contribution of \$2.35 was made to the hospital and some subscriptions taken, the amount not ascertained.

The hour having arrived for the report on Missions, Rev. G. W. Nutt read the report on State Missions. Rev. J. G. Gilmore read the report on Home Missions, and Rev. T. G. Ward read the report on Foreign Missions. The reports on State and Foreign Missions were spoken to by Rev. A. V. Rowe, after which the body took a recess of one hour and a half for dinner.

SECOND DAY-AFTERNOON.

At 1:30 p. m. the body re-assembled and after singing, prayer was led by P. C. Barnett.

Report on State Missions.

When we speak of State Missions, we mean that part of the mission work that is supported and controlled by our State Convention. It corresponds to Judea in our Savior's own people. When we evangelize our own people we have a base of supply that the whole world can draw on for support. State Mission work managed, has done a glorious work in the spread of the Gospe in our destitute places within our State, and in We attribute the success of our State Mission work largely. Brother A. V. Rowe, of whom we leel that a word of praise the State Mission leaflet be printed with this report in our minutes which will furnish the needed information in this

G. W. NUTT.

"He Came Unto His Own"

1912 Baptist State Missions and Outgrowth in Mississippi

Churches now helped one-half time 14 s. Rev Aggregate 154 . J. G. Churches once helped, now independent, full time..... T. G. Churches once helped, now independent, one-half time . . orts on Churches once helped, now independent, one-fourth time 396 A. V. and a Total churches helped 637 Value of houses of worship\$820,000 00 Value of pastors' homes 106,000 00 Our helping hand has, in addition, inspired churches to

raise and expend on their own fields close to three-quarters of a million dollars for houses of worship. The amount thus raised last year was \$14,632.00. We have helped directly in building houses of worship to the amount of \$55 345.00.

Some of the more prominent churches to which we have extended aid in the day of struggle and weakness are: Iuka, Corinth 1st and Tate St., Rienzi, Guntown, Aberdeen, Tupelo, New Albany, Holly Springs, Blue Mountain, Oxford, Fulton, Golden, Tishomingo, Belmont, Sardis, Batesville, Como, Tillatobia, Winona, Greenwood, Itta Bena, Moorhead, Cude, Belzoni, Inverness, Isola, Indianola, Greenville, Benoit. Rosedale, Friar's Point, Coahoma, Tunica, Crenshaw, Sledge, Belen, Marks, Lambert, Tutwiler, Clarksdale, Lyon, Shelby, Shaw, Leland, Arcola, Anguilla, Rolling Fork, Vicksburg 1st and Calvary, Port Gibson, Natchez, Roxie, Knoxville, Rosetta, Woodville, Fort Adams. Charleston, Jackson 1st, 2nd and Griffith Memorial, Byram, McComb 1st, East Side and South Side, Summit, Glading, Berwick, Robinson, Pearlhaven, Sontag, Silver Creek, Prentiss, Carson, Bassfield. Sumrall, Hattiesburg 1st, Columbia St., Immanuel and Fifth Ave., Columbia, Wiggins, Bond, Mt. Olive, Collins, Seminary, West Columbia, Oloh White Bluff, Morgantown, Hub, McHenry, Lyman, Gulfport 1st, North Gulfport, Long Beach, Biloxi, Pascagoula, Moss Point, Escatawpa, Ocean Springs, Laurel 1st, 2nd and Kingston, Ellsville, Meridian 15th Ave., South Side, Highland and 8th Ave., Scooba, Bay Springs, Philadelphia, Union. Newton Central, Leakesville, Lucedale, Merrill, Beaumont, Richton, Taylorsville, Soso, Mendenhall, D'Lo, Yazoo City, Tchula, Durant, Kosciusko, Ackerman, McCool, Columbia 1st and 2nd,

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ficiency's sake, the Southern Baptist Convention has divided the work into three heads—State, Home and Foreign.

Home Missions is that part of the work undertaken by our Convention Board that undertakes to evangelize the cities, to plant the Gospel in Cuba, and the Canal Zone. And to develop the great Southwest, and to meet the emigrant who lands on our shores.

In recent years there has been a great and gratifying advance among Southern Baptists in Home Mission convictions, giving and results.

In 1902 the board employed 674 missionaries—8,150 baptisms.

In 1912 the board employed 1,309 missionaries—26,899 baptisms.

With such glorious results, and such magnificent opportunities, the Southern Baptist Convention instructed the board to plan its work on the basis of \$412,000. This seems a large sum, but it seems but a small part of what we ought to do. This amount can easily be raised and even doubled in ten years, if we can secure the co-operation of the brotherhood.

The watchword for the board is "Forward!" It has planned a distinctive, aggressive campaign for the present year. Besides the regular work, steps forward were taken in two ways:

The convention authorized the Home Board to at once take steps to raise a million-dollar church building loan fund. We have in our convention territory, 3,000 houseless churches, which with liberal aid can establish strong centers for Christ and His truth. These fields only await our aid.

The second large step was taken in response to repeated reports of the board to the Southern Baptist Convention and repeated committee reports before that body calling for the Home Board to put forth larger efforts to help in training and enlisting backward churches

At its July meeting the board ordered the establishment of a department of enlistment and co-operation, and also pro-

vided for the appointment of a special representative to labor in this department.

We believe that in this movement there are prospective blessings for Southern Baptists and their usefulness that are almost beyond our conception. Its purpose is to "Teach them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." As well as saving the lost and baptizing the converted.

Your committee warmly commends the Home Board and its work to the prayers, enthusiastic and liberal support of the churches in Harmony Association.

We commend, first, That every pastor try to place The Home Field in every home constituting his church.

- 2. That the pastors purchase and read the board's excellent books on the different features of our work, but especially would we commend the book, "The Home Mission Task," which costs only, postpaid, 42 cents, in paper; 60 cents in cloth.
- 3. That our pastors secure the helpful tracts furnished free and distribute them freely among their members. And that each pastor be requested by this body to preach on, and to take a collection for, Home Missions between this and the convention which meets next May.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. GILMORE.

The report on Home Missions was spoken to by Rev. W. A. McComb, and all reports adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions.

With grateful hearts we render praise to God for the blessings which have been bestowed upon us in the great work of world-wide evangelization during the past year. Our Heavenly Father has continued His mercies and blessings toward us and our representatives at the front write back of many more converts and baptisms than we have ever had in any one year of our history. Churches have been established and thousands have been won to the Lord. Notwithstanding wars and famine and pestilence, our God has led us

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well as on the foreign field. The gifts of our people for the year far exceed anything in the past. We started the year on and there has been a decided advance in the home land as with a heavy debt, but we praise God that a large part of this has been wiped away, and we are in a better condition to press forward in the work than we were twelve months ago. During the year we have had the sad experience of losing some of our strongest, best missionaries by death. Others of them have broken down in the strain of overwork, yet we are glad to note the hopeful spirit among our workers. They rejoice in pressing forward and we are glad to behold their courage and faith. During the year, on account of our financial condition, the board has not been able to send out new workers as it had hoped to do, yet we have somewhat increased our force on the fields, and have more laborers than the year before. While most of these are native workers, yet we are glad to have trained native men and women who can take up the work and carry it forward among their own peo-With gratitude to God we record the fact that the board's receipts have been the largest of any year in its history, reaching the splendid sum of \$580,408.17, an increase of \$70,399.97 over the amount contributed the previous year. Mississippi last year contributed to Foreign Missions the sum of \$41,571.65, our Association the sum of \$.....

It is with gratitude to God that we note the large number of baptisms during the past year. There were in all on our fields 4,300. This is indeed glorious. Our people should be encouraged when we remember that in 1895 after we had been working as a convention for fifty years, we had in all of our missions on the foreign fields a total membership of 3,493 and now in one year we see many more than that coming out on the Lord's side. We have a total membership in our churches of 24,689. How wonderfully has the Lord blessed us. We should take courage and press forward. conclusion. The year which has just closed has been indeed a strenuous one on the board and it has required careful, and prayerful consideration of the many questions which have come before it in the midst of most perplexing conditions. It began with a debt of nearly \$90,000, the interest account

The appeals for ail for various objects have being heavy. Men and women have been pleading to be been pressing. The work on the fields has been intersent to the fields. rupted by famine, pestilence and war; yet, notwithstanding all of this, our God has been with us and with the workers. We are His and the work is His. The large number of converts makes this the most glorious year we have ever had in our Our noble missionaries press forward in the midst of difficulties with earnest zeal and devotion. Our people in the homeland have come up with enlarged gifts. not in any way lose heart-our God is calling us forward. . The nations have awakened. Let us trust in Him. This is not the time for stand ready to hear the message. God's people to falter or to draw back. The time is near at hand when we shall hear of hundreds of thousands turning to the Lord in foreign lands. Let us earnestly join in the prayer of the servant of God of old, Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things, and blessed be His glorious name forever, and let the whole earth T. G. WARD. be filled with His glory. ''

Report on Woman's Work was read by Rev. W. O. Owens and spoken to by Brethren W. A. McComb, J. C. Parker, J. G. Gilmore and L. E. Lightsey.

On motion, the vice-president of the W. M. U of this Association be allowed to call on the treasurer for such amount as she needs for postage and stationery. Adopted.

Report on Woman's Work.

Much, though not enough, has been said and written about Woman's Work, though too little has been done in the way of help and encouragement. The latter is especially true in Harmony Association.

It is not the purpose of this paper to cast boquets at the fairer sex, but to discuss their organized effort to help in do-

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"By their fruits ye shall know them" is applicable to plans, systems and doctrines. For a greater part of every year a large portion of the funds contributed to each phase of our work is raised by our women's societies. Without credit or woman's work our boards would have to suspend lusiness for the first ten months of every year until our men improve in their financial dealings with the Lord's work.

The plan of purpose and perseverance adopted by the W. M. U. will bear fruit in a deeper and richer spiritual life and good works, wherever and by whomsoever followed.

We give below their standard of excellence which should be urged for consideration, adaptation and application in every Baptist church.

1. At least twelve meetings each year with a donational exercise and a definite missionary program.

2. An increase in membership during the year of at least 25 per cent until all the women of the churches are en-

3. An increase in gifts of not less than ten per cent of the preceding year's contributions.

4. Regular quarterly reports to Miss Lackey, Jackson.

5. One of the following papers: "Foreign Mission Journal," "Home Field" "Our Mission Fields," or the Calendar of Prayer," subscribed for in at least one-half of the homes represented in your missionary society, the ultimate aim being one in every home.

6. Observance of special seasons of prayer and gifts for State, Home and Foreign Missions.

7. At least one mission study class during the year.

8. Some definite organized personal service for the spiritual uplift of your own community conducted by the members of your society under its oversight.

9. An average attendance at the twelve meetings of a umber equal to two-thirds of the societiy's membership.

We recommend that the pastors study this subject and make themselves competent leaders in this work, and then lead.

We recommend also that our associational vice-president be given "right of way," and given all possible encouragement and assistance

We recommend, further, that every union report regularly to the Association.

Respectfully submitted, W. O. OWENS, G. N. DORRILL.

Report on Nominations was read by Rev. G. W. Nutt, and adopted.

Report on Nominations.

We recommend that Brother G. W. Nutt be appointed to preach the introductory sermon with Brother Oscar Owen as alternate.

We recommend that each church appoint an additional delegate to constitute the executive board, together with the following:

Freeny-W. J. Barnett. New Providence-W. L. Pearson Mt. Carmel—W. F. Loper. Pleasant Grove-M. Ivey, Jr. Cross Roads-Bob Hawthorn. Friendship-M. P. Hendrick. Bethel-E. S. Douglas. Rocky Point-Lee Reis. Conway-Henry Allen. Goodhope (L)-Joe Tucker. Cedar Grove-Jno. Watkins. Tuscola-M. B. Lindsay. Walnut Grove-L. A. McKee. Mt. Zion-J. L. Brantly. Standing Pine-A. M. Langston. Salem-Walter Goolsby. Reformation—B. E. Kemp. Midway-Abe Thornton. Pleasant Hill-W. S. Troutman. Laurel Hill-G. W. Sykes. New Hope-Floyd Young. Wake Forest-John Moore. Camden-Henry Gober. Carthage-J. L. McMillan. Shady Grove-F. W. Wilkerson Plymouth-E. N. Rishure. Springfield-Floyd Kirksy.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. NUTT.

Committee on devotional exercises reported Rev. L. E.

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Lightsey to preach tonight. Rev. W. A. McComb tomorrow at the church and Rev. J. C. Parker tomorrow at school house. Adjourned until 9 a. m., Sunday. At 7:30 p. m. Rev. L. E. Lightsey preached at the church from Ex. 14:15.

THIRD DAY.

At 9 o'clock a. m. Sunday the body came together and after singing, was led in prayer by Rev. L. E. Lightsey.

Report on Sustentation was read by Rev. G. W. Nutt and spoken to by Brethren W. A. McComb, J. G. Gilmore and G. W. Nutt.

On motion, the Association insist that the churches make a contribution for Sustentation in December. Adopted.

Report on Sustentation.

We, your committee on Sustentation, report as follows:
The work of sustentation is earing for aged, needy ministers and their widows. There are few of these among us, but we have failed to give these proper support. A lack of system in our giving seems to be the cause.

We, your committee, recommend that the pastors call the attention of the churches to this subject at their December appointment, and a collection for same be taken in all of our churches for these faithful servants of the Master.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. NUTT.

Report on Christian Education was read by J. C. Parker, and spoken to by Brethren J. G. Gilmore and J. C. Parker. Pending the adoption of the report, try-pledges were taken for Mississippi College to the amount of about \$60.00, and a cash contribution of \$4.00 was made and adopted.

Report on Christian Education.

The call to the ministry is the greatest honor that God has ever conferred upon man. The importance of the ministry cannot be estimated; for by the foolishness of preaching souls are converted and lives consecrated to God. A call to a work of this importance surely is a call to a preparation for such

The time has come when a minister must have an work. education in order to do his best work, and as many of our young ministers are not able to educate themselves, without some help, we as a denomination have a ministerial board located at Clinton for the purpose of distributing funds sent them to help these needy ministers to get an education. Last year there were 72 ministerial students enrolled at Clinton; about 40 of whom received help from the board. there are about 75 with others to come. The board will have The board is \$2,200 in debt, beto help about 50 of these. sides the expenses of this session which will amount to about Your committee recommends four or five thousand dollars. that every church should take a collection in November for this cause and send it to Dr. J. W. Provine, Clinton, Miss.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. PARKER.

Report on Digest of Letters was read by S. A. Moore and adopted.

Report on Digest of Letters.

We, your committee on Digest of Letters, beg leave to submit the following report:

We find that twenty-eight of the churches of the Association have reported. Increase in membership 208 Decrease in membership 92 1941 Total membership Pastor's salary 1.264 00 Visiting ministers 357 00 Missions 655 56 Orphanage 103 13 Sunday School expenses 66 60 Incidentals 54 15 17 536 No. pupils 11 35 Ministerial Education

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Report on Queries and Requests read by Rev. G. N. Dor-Amended so as to insert Thomastown church as the rill. next place of meeting, and adopted.

Report on Queries and Requests.

We, your committee on Queries and Requests, submit the following:

The following churches ask for the amount opposite their names to supplement pastor's salary:

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Thomastown and Goodhope (M) desire the next meeting of this body.

Respectfully submitted,

G. N. DORRILL.

The hour having arrived for preaching, Rev. W. A. Mc-Comb preached at the church from I Cor. 15:58; and J. C. Parker preached at the school house; text, not known. ter preaching, a cash collection for the orphanage was taken, amounting to \$6.60.

THIRD DAY-AFTERNOON.

The body re-assembled at 2 p. m., and after singing, prayer was led by Rev. D. B. Canon.

The moderator appointed the following brethren on executive committee: N. F. Wallace, chairman; Y. A. Ward, E. D. Roberts, R. H. Wiggins and O. H. Barnett.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by N. F. Wallace and spoken to by N. F. Wallace, et al. and adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools.

We, your committee on Sunday Schools of the Harmony Baptist Association, beg leave to report as follows:

We do not find any facts and figures in regard to the Sunday School in the minutes of the last Association.

see nothing of the superintendents' and clerks' names; in fact, we think all that is said about the Sunday School is what the committee reported. This probably is correct, but we think that the Sunday School is a fine place for a child of God to work and we further believe that it would be well for this Association to know what the Baptists are doing along this line and if they are doing well, say so; if not, try to show them to do better.

This committee asks to know what is a Sunday School, anyway? Why have it? Who ought to manage them? and what ought they to be made up of? Why is it that so many of our people seem to take so little interest in the schools? Is it because they are not worth the while?

We gather from the letters to this Association that there are ten schools reported; there has been \$62.10 reported for Sunday School purposes; and 18 churches that do not report.

We do not see any report of any efforts made in the Association to improve the Sunday Schools. We expect this report to be read and then some brother move its adoption; and then another brother second the motion, and the report adopted—then it is all over with! If some brother has anything to say, he will tell that the Sunday School is one of the best works of the people of God, and that it is an incubator in which you can put a sinner, and hatch out a Christian. There is just enough heat in the school to hatch out Christians, provided you keep the sinners turned about. So, send the women and children out and hunt the best children and fill the incubator.

We do not believe that the object of the Sunday School is to make Christians. It may be an aid to this work. God may touch one's heart in the Sunday School, and all goes to show that He does; but we think that the greatest work of the Sunday School is to develop the child of God. It is a place where the Christian can break the bread of life and pass it around—be filled to the uttermost himself and give to all present and take up many baskets full that should have been eaten by those who are not there.

We believe that if something is not done to cause God's people to study His word that we as His people will suffer for it, and we think this great body—this Association—should

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wake up and give its people a stimulant that will wake the whole people; act and to keep on acting! Let us feed on God's Word and grow. We do not find in God's Word that we become of age as Christians at 21 years, but even the old are children in Christ and all need to know and grow strong.

This committee demands greater efforts to be put forth to make the Sunday Schools what they should be.

Respectfully submitted.

N. F. WALLACE,

G. W. NUTT.

Brethren T. G. Ward, P. C. Barnett and N. F. Wallace were elected messengers to the Baptist State Convention.

Rev. W. O. Owens was elected delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, with T. G. Ward alternate.

Report on Baptist Hospital work was read by N. F. Wallace, and adopted.

Report of Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

The Christian hospital is an organized expression of practical Christianity.

The Master went about preaching, teaching and healing, and He has sent us on a similar mission. We have been busy teaching and preaching, but we have been negligent on the matter of healing in His name. We rejoice, however, that we are awaking to our duty in this respect.

Within the past few years, as a result of this awakening, several Baptist hospitals have been erected in our Southland. Itssissippi has one such and part interest in another—the Tri-State Baptist Hospital located at Memphis, Tenn.

The Mississippi Hospital located in Jackson, is a frame building with ten rooms and was a gift from some of the leading physicians of that city. It cares for both charity and pay patients, and open for practice to all reputable physicians and surgeons. It is under the control of a board of trustees appointed by the Baptist State Convention.

During the first ten months this institution cared for 133 patients with only three deaths. During the past ten months it cared for 118 surgical patients with one death, and 62 medi-

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33 hs lical patients with two deaths. More than one-tenth of the work has been done without charge.

From the beginning, the present building has proved itself unable to do the work asked of it, and in view of this, the convention last fall pledged itself to a campaign for \$50,000 to erect and equip a suitable building. This campaign is now on, and we urge brethren and sisters of this Association to co-operate in the movement.

We call upon the pastors to observe "Hospital Day" as arranged by the board of trustees.

We urge the W. M. U's and the Sunday Schools to respond to the appeal made to them for funds for special rooms and beds.

Brethren, this is a long-neglected, but very pressing matter; let us respond hastily and liberally

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. J. W. W. LYLE.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered the Tuscola church and community for the very hospitable manner in which they have entertained the Association.

Resolved, That the clerk be allowed the usual amount of \$15.00 for his services.

On motion, the body adjourned to meet with Thomastown church on Friday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1913.

REV. T. G. WARD. Moderator.

REV. P. C. BARNETT, Clerk and Treas.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

G. N. DORRILL	Conway, Miss.
B. F. ODUM	Bolatusha, Miss.
W. P. DORRILL	Dossville, Miss.
B. E. PHILLIPS :	Mary Dell, Miss:
J. B. ANDERSON	Carthage, Miss.
F. M. ZANES	Heflin, Ala.
B. H. WEEMS	Carthage, Miss.
W. O. OWENS	Walnut Grove, Miss.
S. C. EASTHAM	Edinburg. Miss.

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	P. C. BARNETT Conthorn	3.63
	R. C. BARHAM	Miss.
	Licensed.	
	A. M. LANGSTON Walnut Grove,	Miss
	J. L. RUSSELL	Miss.

LIST OF OUR DEAD.

Brethren W. P. Keenan, G. C. Barrett, J. T. Shoemaker, J. F. Lee, E. N. Chambers, G. H. Beard, William Yates, Walter Moore, C. F. Broach, and Sisters Leota Callahan, Samantha Henderson, Ophelia Russell, Mittie Fox, Ada Ashcraft, Martha Drift and Emma Thomas.

COMMITTEES FOR 1913.

Foreign Missions	A. M. Barnett
Home Missions	M. Barnett
State Missions	
Christian Education	P. C. Barnett
Publications	Dr. J. W. W. Lyle
Prohibition	W. O. Owens
Orphanage	
Woman's Work	
Sunday Schools	J. B. Anderson
Queries and Requests	J. B. Anderson N. F. Wallace
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Treasurer's Report for 1912.

RECEIPTS

From Finance Committee		
From Finance Committee\$	189	86
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Collection for Dorrill Fund	14	80

HARMONY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.			25	
History Sales			75	
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Total receipts	.\$ 2	25	50	
DISBURSEMENTS.				
Balance due Clerk		7	40	
Paid A. V. Rowe	. 1	07	50	
Paid A. V. Rowe		29	50	
Paid Baptist Orphanage	-	19		
Paid G. N. Dorrill			80	
Printing and mailing Minutes	1	•	60	
Express on Minutes		15	00	
Clerk's fee			65	
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Report of Enrollment Committee.				
Roll of churches and messengers:				
Bethel—E. S. Douglas, J. A. Thomas.				
Camden—				
Carthage—N. F. Wallace.				
Cedar Grove—R. R. Moss, Z. T. Dormas				
Center Hill—G. N. Dorrill.				
Cross Roads-W. B. Hooper, Alfonzo Trest.				
Damascus—Represented by letter only.				
Friendship—T. G. Ward, S. A. Moore, J. M. I W. White, J. W. W. Lyle.	Porte	er,	W.	
Freeny-P. C. Barnett.				
Good Hope (L)—G. W. Nutt, J. D. Tucker, F. gins G. M. Bowling.				h
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Hopewell-

Laurel Hill-G. W. Sikes, J. R. Sistrunk.

Lottville-Represented by letter only.

Mt. Carmel-S. C. Eastham, Y. A. Ward.

Mt. Zion-W. O. Owens, Frank Lyle.

Midway-H. G. Walton, S. D. Jackson.

New Hope-J. W. Barnett, E. A. Hooks.

New Providence-J. M. Flowers, W. L. Pearson.

Pleasant Grove-Byron Davis, Lonnie Curry.

Pleasant Hill-B. H. Weems, J. F. Rinewalt.

Plymouth-J. H. Brooks, Tom Savil.

Rocky Point-W. P. Dorrill, E. J. Reed.

Salem—Represented by letter only.

Springfield-F. M. Savil, J. F. Kirksey.

Standing Pine—M. O. Wright.

Stump Bridge—Represented by letter only.

Thomastown-E. D. Roberts, J. D. Ellington, B. C. Blailock and wife.

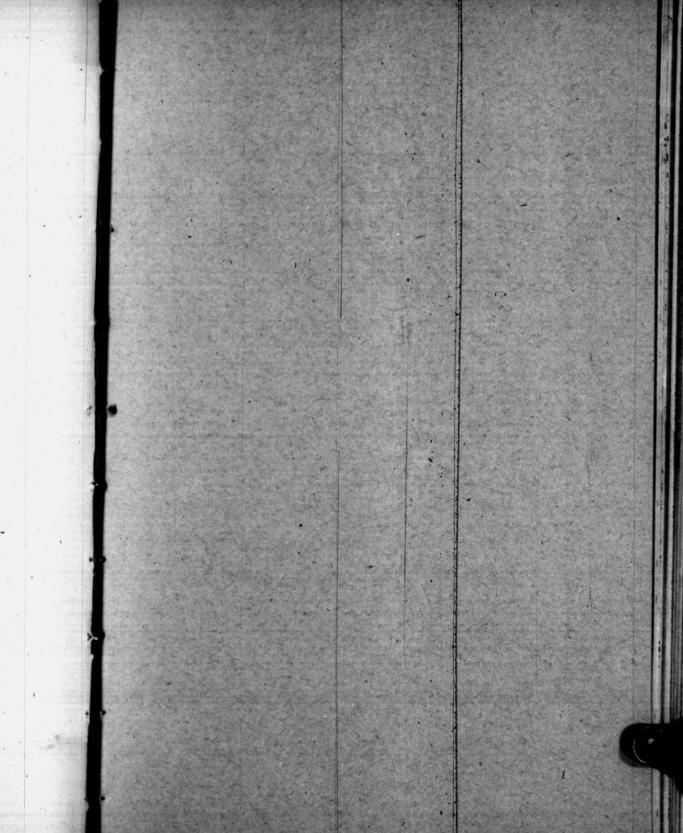
Tuscola--W. O. Lindsey, S. A. Bishop, Austin Evans.

Wake Forest-A. L. Young, H. J. Beckham.

Walnut Grove-Percy K. Chadwick, L. A. McKee.

Reformation-

Respectfully submitted, W. O. OWENS, Y. A. WARD, E. S. DOUGLAS.



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New Providence	1 35		15 00				16 35	1 20
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Springfield	1 50		2 00	1 50			5 00	13 00
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Laurel Han	J. T. Ellis	Goodman	R S Barrett
Lottville	R. C. Barkam	Godman	I. M. Sykes
Mt. Carmel	J. G. Gilmore	Clinton	S. L. Norman
Mt. Zion	A M D	nance	I. A. Ward
Midway	D E Di-titi	var mase	r. E. Gunter
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Rocky Point	R. C. Barkam	Conway Madden	N Righung
Salem	B. E. Phillips	Madden !! Mary Dell	V M Davis
Stump Bridge	B. E. Phillips	Mary Dell	D. Roberts
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